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Responsive to the official action of November 29, 2001, please amend as follows:

In The Claims

Please cancel Claims 1, 11 and 13

Please amend Claim 2 as follows:

2. (twice amended) A food casing comprising an internal surface coating of a dried aqueous emulsion comprising at least one polyglyceryl ester, and from about 10 to about 20 weight percent of dissolved polyhydric alcohol selected from the group consisting of glycerin and propylene glycol.

Please amend Claim 3 as follows:

3. (thrice amended) The food casing of Claim 2 wherein the internal surface coating of dried aqueous emulsion comprises triglyceryltetraoleate.